

PROGRAM TITLE: MICROWAVE PROCESSING

OBJECTIVE: Develop more economical and efficient tobacco and cigarette processes utilizing modern microwave technology.

PROGRAM APPROACH AND TIMING:

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| A. Finish evaluation of the increase in filling power in total blends using the 915 MHz generator. | 1st-2nd Qtr. |
| B. Continue evaluations of customer beetle complaints. Determine viability of using 915 MHz system to kill beetles in ET. | 2nd-4th Qtr. |
| C. Evaluate drying of RCB and extruded tobacco using microwaves. | 1st-4th Qtr. |

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